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AIR FREIGHT UP 6.8% IN SEPTEMBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., November 16, 1990 -- Air freight increased 6.8 percent in September, compared with September a year ago, and was also up 2.0 percent in the first nine months of this year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic air freight in September rose 2.8 percent. Mail increased 2.8 percent, and total domestic cargo, including freight and mail, registered a gain of 2.8 percent.

International air freight in September was up 10.6 percent. Mail rose 15.2 percent, and total cargo decreased 10.9 percent.

In the first nine months of the year, domestic air freight had a gain of 1.9 percent, mail increased 3.3 percent, and total cargo was up 2.2 percent.

International freight during the first nine months increased 2.1 percent, mail was up 3.2 percent, and total cargo was up 2.2 percent.

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PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY (1)

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

	DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
SEPTEMBER 1990	427,419	106,000	533,419	480,587	40,465	521,052	908,006	1,054,471
SEPTEMBER 1989	415,782	103,064	518,846	434,494	35,137	469,631	850,276	988,477
PERCENT CHANGE	2.8	2.8	2.8	10.6	15.2	10.9	6.8	6.7
9 MONTHS 1990	3,651,169	989,282	4,640,451	3,865,778	340,048	4,205,826	7,516,947	8,846,277
9 MONTHS 1989	3,582,907	957,845	4,540,752	3,787,703	329,465	4,117,168	7,370,610	8,657,920
PERCENT CHANGE	1.9	3.3	2.2	2.1	3.2	2.2	2.0	2.2

NOTE: HAWAIIAN SEPTEMBER NUMBERS ARE ESTIMATED

Carriers included : Alaska, Aloha, American, Braniff, Continental, Delta, Eastern, Federal Express, Hawaiian, Northwest, Pan American, Southwest, Trans World, United, and USAir.

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REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

		DOMESTIC OPERATIONS			INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS			TOTAL	TOTAL
		FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL	FREIGHT	CARGO
AUGUST	1990	442,076	112,113	554,189	440,589	39,742	480,331	882,665	1,034,520
AUGUST	1989	409,011	108,184	517,195	401,827	39,519	441,346	810,838	958,541
PERCENT CHANGE		8.1	3.6	7.2	9.6	0.6	8.8	8.9	7.9
8 MONTHS	1990	3,223,750	883,282	4,107,032	3,385,191	299,583	3,684,774	6,608,941	7,791,806
8 MONTHS	1989	3,167,125	854,781	4,021,906	3,353,209	294,328	3,647,537	6,520,334	7,669,443
PERCENT CHANGE		1.8	3.3	2.1	1.0	1.8	1.0	1.4	1.6

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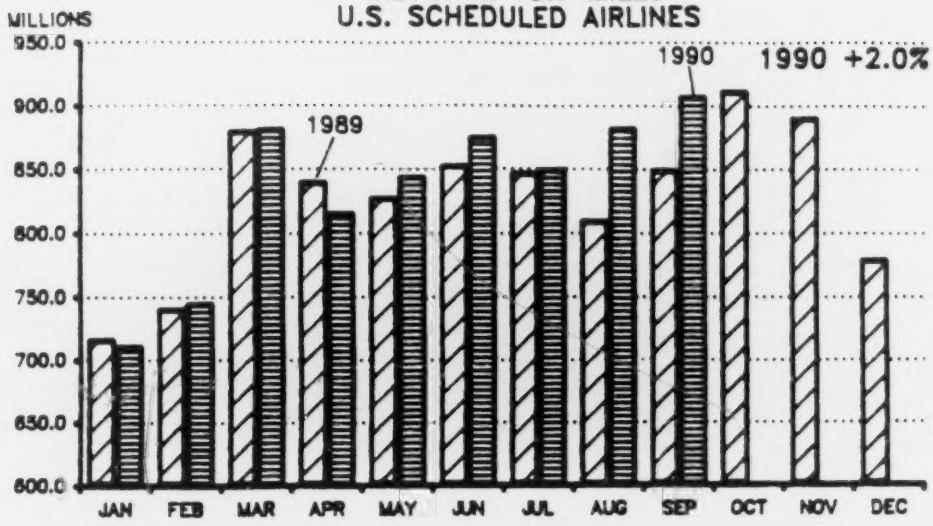
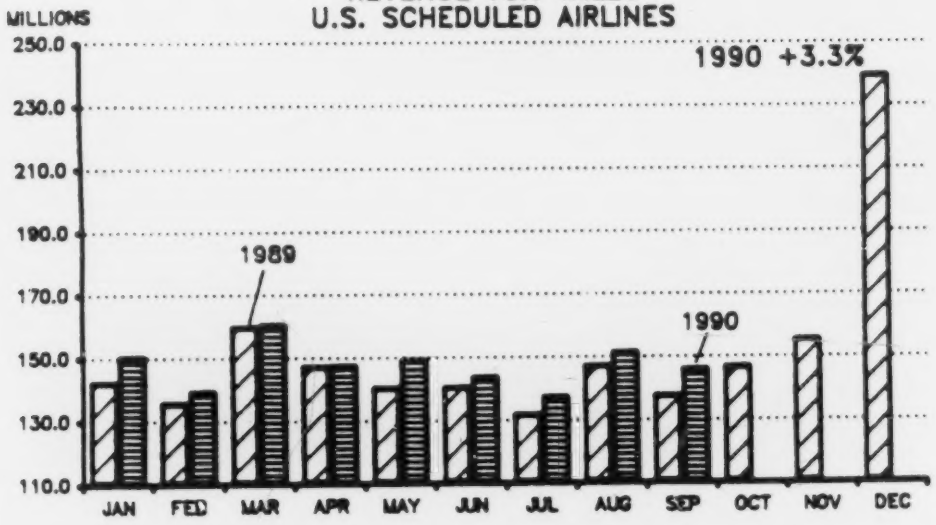
FREIGHT

REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



MAIL

REVENUE TON-MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



PRELIMINARY CARGO TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

REVENUE TON-MILES
(In Thousands)

MONTH	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1989			
January	717,432	142,815	860,247
February	741,550	136,212	877,762
March	880,183	160,251	1,040,434
April	840,723	147,713	988,436
May	828,462	140,949	969,411
June	853,522	141,122	994,644
July	847,624	132,344	979,968
August	810,838	147,703	958,541
September	850,276	138,201	988,477
October	912,521	147,344	1,059,865
November	891,341	155,788	1,047,129
December	780,114	239,787	1,019,901
TOTAL 1989	9,954,586	1,830,229	11,784,815
Jan - Sep 1989	7,370,610	1,287,310	8,657,920
1990			
January	712,032	150,784	862,816
February	745,781	139,790	885,571
March	882,004	161,038	1,043,042
April	816,196	147,861	964,057
May	844,836	149,460	994,296
June	875,366	144,198	1,019,564
July	850,061	137,879	987,940
August	882,665	151,855	1,034,520
September	908,006	146,465	1,054,471
TOTAL 1990	7,516,947	1,329,330	8,846,277

PERCENT CHANGE

	FREIGHT	MAIL	TOTAL CARGO
1990/1989 September	6.8	6.0	6.7
Jan - September	2.0	3.3	2.2